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Applicant: Andrew W. Artenstein  
Application No.: Not yet assigned Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned  
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Title: Bandaging Device for Sequestering a Wound or Inoculation Site

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

- ☐ under 37 CFR 1.129(a), or  
(First/Second submission after Final Rejection)
- ☒ under 37 CFR 1.97(b), or  
(Within any one of the following time periods: three months of filing national application (other than a CPA) or date of entry of the national stage in an international application; or before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits in a non-provisional application, including a CPA, or a Request for Continued Examination).
- ☐ under 37 CFR 1.97(c) together with either:  
☐ a Statement under 37 CFR 1.97(e), as checked below, or  
☐ a \$180.00 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(p), or  
(After the 37 CFR 1.97(b) time period, but before final action or notice of allowance, whichever occurs first)
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(Filed after final action or notice of allowance, whichever occurs first, but on or before payment of the issue fee)
- ☐ under 37 CFR 1.97(i):  
Applicant requests that the IDS and cited reference(s) be placed in the application filewrapper.  
(Filed after payment of issue fee)

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)

- ☐ Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement; or
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☒ Enclosed herewith is form PTO-1449:

- ☐ Copies of the cited references are enclosed.

☒ Since this application was filed after June 30, 2003, copies of issued U.S. patents and published U.S. applications are not required and are not being provided.

- ☐ Copies of the cited references are enclosed except those entered in prior application, U.S. Application No. [ ], to which priority under 35 U.S.C. 120 is claimed. [The earlier application contains copies of the cited references.]

- ☐ The listed references were cited in the enclosed International Search Report in a counterpart foreign application.

- ☐ The "concise explanation" requirement (non-English references) for reference(s) [ ] under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is satisfied by:

☐ the explanation provided on the attached sheet.

☐ the explanation provided in the Specification.

☐ submission of the enclosed International Search Report.

☐ submission of the enclosed English-language version of a foreign Search Report and/or foreign Office Action.

☐ the enclosed English language abstract.

☐ Applicant requests that the following non-published pending applications be considered:

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\_\_\_\_ U.S. Patent Application No. [ ], by [inventor(s)], filed [ ], Docket No.: [ ]  
\_\_\_\_ U.S. Patent Application No. [ ], by [inventor(s)], filed [ ], Docket No.: [ ]  
\_\_\_\_ U.S. Patent Application No. [ ], by [inventor(s)], filed [ ], Docket No.: [ ]

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- ☐ A copy of each above-cited application, including the current claims, is enclosed.
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The Examiner is requested to return a copy of the above list of pending applications indicating which references were considered with the next office communication.

It is requested that the information disclosed herein be made of record in this application.


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- ☐ A check for the fee noted above is enclosed, or the fee has been included in the check with the accompanying Reply. A copy of this Statement is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account 08-0380 in the amount of \$[ ]. A copy of this Statement is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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PTO-1449 REPRODUCED  <b>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION IN AN APPLICATION</b>  <b>December 19, 2003</b>  (Use several sheets if necessary)	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. <b>3479.1000-001</b>		APPLICATION NO. <b>Not yet assigned</b>	
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	AB	US 6,274,787 B1	08/14/2001	Downing
	AC	6,143,945	11/07/2000	Augustine <i>et al.</i>
	AD	6,107,536	08/22/2000	Dadinis
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	AA2	5,395,675	03/07/1995	Altholz <i>et al.</i>
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	AD2	5,062,433	11/05/1991	Kummer
	AE2	5,060,662	10/29/1991	Farnsworth, III
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	AI2	4,917,112	04/17/1990	Kalt
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	AF3	4,285,338	08/25/1981	Lemelson
	AG3	3,026,874	03/27/1962	Stevens
	AH3	2,443,140	06/08/1948	Larsen
	AI3	2,367,690	01/23/1945	Purdy
	AJ3	2,221,758	11/19/1940	Elmqvist
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	AA4	697,637	04/15/1902	Lee
	AB4	679,918	08/06/1901	Shears
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